Tony Braswell Johnston County Commissioner

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Chairman Kevin Martin 445 12th Street SW Room #8B-201 Washington, DC 20544

Re: Free Wireless Broadband Internet Access

Dear Chairman Martin.

As we work to develop the rural areas of North Carolina, a significant technological advancement has yet to be implemented: free broadband internet access.

The United States hosts some of the highest subscription rates in the world for wireless broadband access. How are we to continue to grow when we are lagging in such a critical domain of development?

Johnston County is working hard to spur economic growth and improve education, especially in our rural areas, and free broadband access is critical to our goals and development. Our county, along with the state of North Carolina, needs this family friendly free wireless broadband internet access in order to reach our potential and have continued economic expansion and improved education.

We cannot let this extraordinary opportunity for Americans to have free wireless broadband internet access pass us by. Please support this opportunity and help us continue to expand and compete.

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Sincerely,

Commissioner Tony Braswell

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